

## SWEETWATER:

Thursday, April 16, 1868.

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As the time of those who commenced with the first number of our paper has nearly expired, we again publish our terms for their benefit, and hope they may avail themselves of an early opportunity to renew their subscriptions:

Those who commenced with the first number of the paper can continue their subscription 18 months by paying \$1 35, which gives them the paper for that time for \$2 35. We will also give our subscribers up to number of the same advantage. Should you wait until your time entirely expires, the regular subscription price of \$2 will be charged.

When you see a X mark on the margin of your paper, you may know that your time has expired, and we hope, for your own sake, that you will renew at once.

**LOOK OUT KUKLUXES!**—The Athens Republican says that a large number of the oldest citizens of that county have organized themselves for the purpose of ferreting out the objects of the Ku-klux Klan, and that if any threat or violence is indulged in against any loyal man, white or black, the lives and property of those known to be or suspected to be in sympathy with the Klan will be held responsible. We think it pretty tight papers to hold a man's life responsible because he is suspected of being in sympathy with somebody else who has made a threat.

If you want good Mackerel call on H. L. Fry, and you can be accommodated. He has excellent cheese and crackers, too, which he will sell without the right of redemption.

We were visited on Sunday last by one of the most "uproarious" storms on record. The thunder, lightning and rain seemed to try to outdo each other, and, if that was the game, they all three succeeded. After dark "the wind blew, the hail flew," and things generally seemed wild and dangerous. But this "local" wasn't frightened a bit; he was under the same roof with a Methodist preacher!

The weather has been stormy during the last three or four days.

Particular attention is called to Messrs Hight & Scruggs new double-column advertisement; read and profit by it.

See notice of election to be held on the 7th of May next.

We welcome to our exchange list the Murfreesboro Monitor, one of the handsomest papers published in this or any other State. Its columns give evidence of a liberal support.

On the 8th instant the police in Memphis made a descent on a public hall and captured seventy persons, mostly boys, charged with being a Ku-klux Klan. They were released next morning, and some of them have already instituted proceedings to recover damages for false imprisonment. They claim that the only Klan they belong to is a base ball club.

We are in receipt of the Greenville National Union, an able and interesting Conservative journal. May its shadow never grow less.

**NEGRO KILLED.**—We learn from a gentleman, who witnessed the scene, that on Monday, the 13th inst., a negro was arrested in Mouse Creek, Tennessee, on the charge of stealing a watch. After starting to jail, by some means or other, he managed to escape from those having charge of him, but was pursued and overtaken before getting very far. He now swore that he would not be retaken, and commenced preparing for battle by gathering stones, rails, &c. When closed upon, he knocked one man down and made an effort to escape, but at this moment was shot down and died almost immediately. This should be a sufficient warning to all those who have any propensity for stealing watches.

Scott's MONTHLY for March contains: The Georgia Campaign; Miracles Coincident with the Crucifixion; The Broken Goblet; Women in the Middle Ages; Ashes of Life; Character, Genius and Writings of Edgar A. Poe; Celestina; Up the Hill; Country Life Since the War; The Dying Soldier's Good-Night; The Departed; Heroes and Heroines of Macon; Clever P. Does it Pay to Smoke; Invenustus; The Devil-Fish; Our Tripod; Salvagundi; Monthly Gleanings; Reviews, Notices, etc.

**THANKS.**—The thanks of the Murfreesboro Memorial Association are due the good citizens of Athens and Sweetwater, Tenn., for the sum of \$48, received by me on the 9th inst., through some kind lady, as modest as she is benevolent, wishing only to do good without caring to have her name known. Though her note bore no signature, her earnest, loving words of our brave dead, are sufficient evidence that she was to them while living, a true, unswerving friend, and mourns them dead as still a Southron, and as such, we thank her.

Would that some lady in every city and village in the State could emulate the example of our friend in Athens, and send us some aid in our mournfully sweet work, the only return we can make for the precious lives sacrificed in behalf of what they deemed the noblest cause that ever stirred the heart of man—Liberty, home and loved ones.

Mrs. J. H. MORGAN,  
Cor. Sec. M. M. A.  
Murfreesboro Monitor.

### THE FLAG IN WASHINGTON.

Sergeant Bates crossed the Long Bridge at 10 o'clock and was met in Washington with an enthusiastic reception.

Mr. Eldridge, Representative from Wisconsin, welcomed Bates in a speech. The weather was unfavorable, but the crowd was large. Bates wore a jacket and pants presented him in South Carolina, and a sash presented to him in Montgomery, Ala. He carried home a cup presented him by the ladies of Vicksburg, and his flag. His health is excellent.

The President met him at the threshold of the White House, saying: "All I want to do, is to welcome you and your flag." Bates was received and entertained at the White House whence he proceeded to the Metropolitan hotel, where he is quartered.

Upon going to the Capitol for the purpose of unfurling his flag from the dome, he was refused admission.

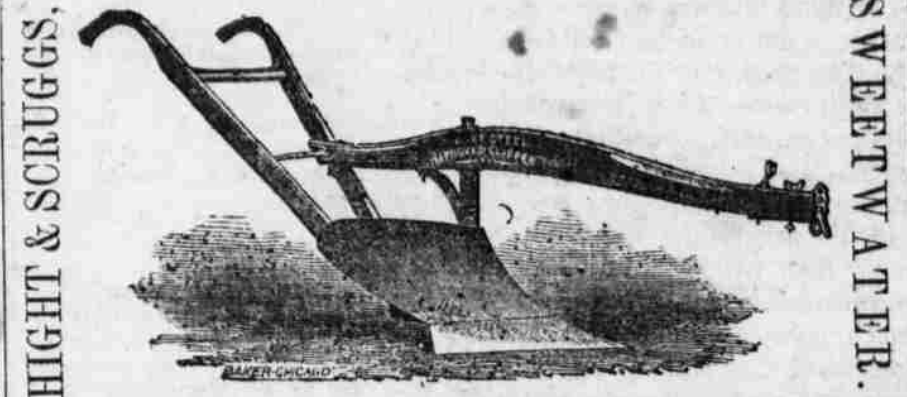
After leaving the Capitol, Bates proceeded to the Washington Monument. Hon. W. E. D. Perrin, of Tennessee, spoke. He said, had Bates carried a negro on his shoulders from Vicksburg, they would have allowed him to place the negro on the goddess of liberty, on top of the Dome.

The Capitol authorities are trying to shift the responsibility of denying access to Bates.

### AN AFFECTING CASE.

A young gentleman who says he lives in Culpeper county Va., has recently met with experience in New York which gave him entirely new ideas in regard to female character. He states that as he was crossing Washington Park about 10 o'clock one evening he was accosted by the "loveliest girl he ever beheld," who told him that she had a dying mother at home and begged him to hasten thither and if possible, to save her parent. The young Culpeperian, overcome by the appeal, drew the supplicant's arm within his, and set out for the "scene of suffering." They did not go far, however, when a stout and ferocious looking man suddenly sprang upon them, and exclaimed: "Ah! I have you now! You're a pretty miss, aren't you? And you, you young rascal! you're the villain who has poisoned my home and broken my wife's heart! But I'll have vengeance now! The girl sobbed and begged "her father" not to kill her, and also to spare "Harry," whom she loved dearer than her own life. The young gentleman was perfectly bewildered. He could only account for the condition in which he found himself on the hypothesis that in some oblivious moment, when in a state of intoxication, he had won the affections of the lovely girl by his side, and ruined the peace of a once happy family. He was recalled from his speculations on the subject by the gleam of a pistol barrel, the muzzle toward his brain. The "outraged father," with fierce imprecations, ordered him to prepare for "instant death." The girl implored her "inexorable parent" to relent; which at last he agreed to do on condition that the infatuated pair should agree never to see each other any more. To this the young Virginian readily assented, and forwently assented, whereat the devoted young lady seemed much pained; but after embracing him violently, she walked away with a melancholy air. The "father" watched her until she disappeared, and then with a warning glance departed. As soon as the young man recovered from his astonishment he felt for his watch to see the hour, but his watch had unaccountably disappeared, and so had his purse. Then the young gentleman from Culpeper county understood the whole matter.

## TO THE PEOPLE!



WE FEEL THAT WE ARE PERMANENTLY SETTLED IN SWEETWATER in the Merchandise and Produce Trade. We will have at all times nearly all kinds of Goods that the country may require, and as cheap as any party can sell them and continue business. Any article not in usual demand can be supplied on short notice. We buy, and pay as much as the market will justify.

**Bacon, Lard, Corn, Eggs, Wheat, Butter, Feathers, Dry Hides, Clean Cotton Rags, Tallow, Flaxseed, Dried Fruit, Meal, Flour, &c., &c.,**

We sell as low as the market will afford.

**Dry Goods, Notions, Clothing, Ladies' and Gentlemen's Hats, Boots, Shoes, Hardware, Queensware, Stoneware, Cast, Spring and Blister Steel, Horse Shoes, Horse Nails, Cut Nails, Castings, Wagon Boxes, Salt, Sugar and Coffee, Indigo and Madder, Lenoir's Thread, Train & Linseed Oil, Paints &c., &c., &c.**

and if you want anything else call for it.  
We are agents for the celebrated D. S. & S. S. Steel Plows, Russell & Co.'s Threshing Machines, all sizes Russell's Senior and Junior Reapers and Mowers, Grain Drills, Corn Shellers, Horse Rakes and Hay Forks, also

**BUCKEYE, Senior & Junior, REAPERS & MOWERS.**

Call on us before you buy or sell. We will do you no harm.  
April 16, 1868—tf

### NOTICE.

**IN OBEDIENCE TO THE PROCLAMATION** of the Governor of the State of Tennessee, I will open and hold an Election in the districts of the county of Monroe, in said State for a member to Congress for the State at large, on the 7th day of May next.  
April 6th, 1868. D. R. KENNEDY,  
Com. of Registration for Monroe Co.,  
apl6td

### FOR SALE.

A No. 5 ADAMS PRESS, in good order and exactly suitable for printing a small newspaper. It is excellent for job work. Terms Cash. Address H. L. FRY, Sweetwater, Tenn.

### PROCLAMATION!

**NEW GOODS!**  
THE BEST IS THE CHEAPEST!  
A. A. BOYD.

HAS just opened at Madisonville, a New Stock of Goods, comprising Hats, Caps, Bonnets, Boots and Shoes, Ready-made Clothing, Prints, Domestic, Family Groceries;

In fact every thing usually wanted by the Fashionable, the Housekeeper, the Farmer, or the Mechanic, and

**He Warrants his Stock** to be unsurpassed for quality and cheapness. All are invited to give him a call.

**WANTED.**—Produce of every description: Chickens, Butter, Eggs, Sorghum, Chestnuts, Ginseng, Pink and Snake Roots; in fact every thing which can be exchanged for Cash.

Liberal advances in Goods made to persons having Claims against the Government for Services, Arrears, Bounties and Pensions. Very respectfully,  
nov 2 5—tf. A. A. BOYD.

**Land for Sale.**  
40 ACRES of Land, situated 2 1/2 miles south-west of Sweetwater Depot, adjoining the lands of I. T. Lenoir, Thos. Yearwood and others, in a good neighborhood. For particulars, address T. F. & J. F. PATTON, march 13 '68—22—tf. Sweetwater, Tenn.

**STRANGE BUT TRUE!**  
IF YOU WANT A NICE BEDSTEAD, call on H. L. Fry and procure the article.  
Sweetwater, March 27, 1868.

**NEW FIRM.**  
**L. FORKNER & CO.,**  
(Successors to Williams & Goddard.)  
**RETAIL MERCHANTS.**  
Sweetwater, Tenn.

HAVE JUST REPLENISHED THEIR STOCK, which consists of Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Ready-Made Clothing, Hardware, Cutlery, Queensware, and Notions. In fact every thing usually kept in a Retail Dry Goods Store in this country.

**Produce.**—We pay the highest market price in GOODS or CASH for all kinds of Country Produce.  
march 27 '68—24—tf.

**AMERICUS (GEORGIA) PRICES CURRENT.**  
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY  
**M. H. STEPHENS,**  
Commission Merchant, Loyless' Block.

AMERICUS, GA., April 14.

**COTTON**.....24  
**CORN**.....1.40  
**OATS**.....1.25  
**HAY**.....2.75  
**LARD**.....20  
**BUTTER**.....25.40  
**BACON**.....18.20  
**FLOUR**.....7.50  
(family).....8.50  
(superfine).....7.50  
**SALT** (Liverpool).....3.00

**Macon Provision Market.**  
Macon, Ga., April 14.

Mess Pork pork \$29.00.  
Prime mess \$24.00.  
Rumps \$23.00.  
Clear sides (smoked) 16 1/2c.  
Clear ribbed (smoked) 16c.  
Ribbed (smoked) 15c.  
Clear bulk sides (unsmoked) 15 1/2c.  
Clear ribbed (unsmoked) 15 1/2c.  
Ribbed (unsmoked) 14 1/2c.  
Shoulders (smoked) 13 1/2c.  
Shoulders, bulk (unsmoked) 12c.  
Hams, plain 18 to 20c.  
Hams, canvassed 20c.  
Flour, superfine \$7.00; family, \$8.00.

## HANLON, THE ACROBAT.

INSANITY AND SUICIDE.

Thomas Hanlon, the gymnast, who fell recently in Louisville, arrived here yesterday, insane, accompanied by two boys, whom he tried to kill and then drown himself. He was finally arrested and lodged in jail, but was so boisterous that he was kept pacified at intervals with the greatest difficulty.

Mr. Simmons, the jailor, brought him his dinner on a pewter plate, which he seized, broke in two pieces, and attempted to cut his throat with the two edges. Fearing he would hang himself on some iron hooks in the ceiling, the jailor removed him to another cell, where he beat a fellow prisoner. He was again moved to another cell lined with boards, and containing no furniture.

On the floor were iron heating-pipes, with a large brass nut projecting at a jointure. When left alone in this cell he attempted to commit suicide by a method of which none but a gymnast would think. He sprang into the air about five feet, and turning, came down with his head upon the brass projection. He repeated this terrible feat several times, and when assistance arrived, the floor was covered with blood.

Six strong men were unable to hold him. He threw them off with the greatest ease, drove them out of the cell, and cut one over the eye, and broke another's nose. When his cell was cleaned, he repeated his horrible performance. His scalp was cut in a number of places, and hung over his forehead and face.

Hanlon's strength now began to wane from great loss of blood. The physicians who arrived administered chloroform; he still showing violence, he was bound down to a bench in an insensible condition, handcuffed, and his wounds were dressed. The boys are kindly cared for.

This morning Hanlon's condition is considered critical. He foams at the mouth, and is hopelessly insane. Drs. McFarland and Kirkbridge have been summoned, and by special treatment may aid him to recover his senses, but he is so weak from loss of blood that he may die at any moment. His brothers in Indiana and Philadelphia have been telegraphed for. [The telegraph informs us that Hanlon died on the 5th.—Ed.]

**DEAD IN HIS CHAIR.**—The morning train of the Memphis & Ohio Railroad arriving yesterday at McKenzie, where that road forms a junction with the Nashville & Northwestern, brought down among its passengers a man named John Wharton. He stopped at McKenzie for breakfast, and was apparently waiting for the Nashville bound train. Seating himself in a chair at the railroad eating house, his head began to droop, and he was soon to appear fast asleep. In a few minutes the shrill signal of the approaching train started all the waiting passengers to their feet except Wharton, who seemed wrapped in a deep sleep, and a brakeman fearing he might be left, went up to him and giving him a rough shake, said with a laugh, "Wake up! wake up! old fellow, and pay for your lodging, and go to bed." To the astonishment of the rude prompter, the apparently sleeping man so roughly jostled fell heavily to the floor, and when some of the curious crowd that immediately gathered around him lifted him up, he was found to be stone dead.

No information, save that his name was John Wharton, had been gleaned in regard to him up to the time our informant left.—Union and Dispatch.

**DREADFULLY FRIGHTENED.**—One of the waiters at the Piedmont Hotel narrowly escaped being caught by a Ku-klux Friday night. He had been out on the street, and about 1 o'clock he came rushing back in terror, burst open the front door, and fell into the hall, shouting "murder" and saying "one of dem Ku-kluxes was after me; it was on a horse ten feet high, and had great white wings." He was tremendously demoralized and in a high state of consternation. The whole house was aroused by his outcries. The retreating sounds of a horse crossing the bridge were heard by those who came first to see what the matter was. The narrow escape of this negro should be a warning to others. It is best to run no unnecessary risks. Whatever these Ku-kluxes are, their principal spite seems to be against the colored people.

On the same night the following curious notice was stuck up about town:

**K. K. K.**  
**GATHER AT MIDNIGHT IN SILENCE.**

THE GATE OF THE WHITE PALACE WILL OPEN AT THE SIGNAL.

When it thunders three times be in motion.  
Resurgamus.  
(S. P. J.)

Stanton is not transacting much business in the War Office although he is master of it at present. Upwards of twelve hundred requisitions are awaiting his signature, some dating back to January. The claimants are clamorous for pay. Stanton guards his castle closely, never leaving it.